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**Response to Final Office Action dated November 2, 2007**

In reply to the Final Office Action dated November 2, 2007, Applicants submit the attached Request for Continued Examination (RCE), Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08a, copies of 16 cited non-U.S. patent references, and the Amendments / Remarks shown below. A Notice of Appeal was filed on April 2, 2008. A two-month extension of time is required and hereby requested. All required fees, including the RCE fee under 1.17(e) (\$810) and the two-month extension fee (\$460) have been paid by credit card with the filing of this response. It is not believed that any petitions or additional fees are required beyond those provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional petitions and / or fees are due with this response, such petitions are hereby made and the undersigned hereby authorizes the Commissioner to deduct any additional fees (including fees for the net addition of claims) from our Deposit account No. 50-3994.

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**Conclusions** are found on page 9 of this paper.